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THE BIG MILL TONIGHT

The Fitzsimmons-Jeffries Fight Causes Widespread Interest

BIG ODDS OFFERED

The Demand for Seats Exceeds That of Any Previous Fight Held at Coney Island.—Jeffries in Prime Condition.—Chief Devery of New York Makes a Statement.—Fight Will Surely Come Off Says Wm. A. Brady-Jeffries, Manager.

The great interest taken in the Fitzsimmons-Jeffries fight tonight is shown by the advance sale of seats. At a recent auction sale of boxes, every box was sold, bringing \$21,000.

The demand exceeds that of the Sharkey-Maher, Corbett-Sharkey, or McCoy-Sharkey fights. At a rough estimate the Coney Island club has sold \$55,000 worth of seats.

The prices of admission to see the fight and the seating capacity of the Coney Island Sporting club are here given: The price of the tickets are \$5, \$10, \$15, \$20, and \$25. The following are the number of seats: 5,000 admissions at \$5, \$25,000; 1,000 reserved at \$10, \$10,000; 658 reserved at \$15, \$9,870; 800 mezzanine seats at \$20, \$16,000; 726 box seats at \$25, \$18,150. Total number of seats 8,174, total amount \$79,020.

Betting on the fight has been very

expect any interference on the part of the police, if we keep within the limit which applied to the former contests and that is what we expect to do." There is considerable local betting and the odds are about 4 to 5 on Fitzsimmons. There is plenty of Jeffries money around, but the holders want too great odds. Several even money bets have been wagered.

The returns of the big fight will be received at several well known cafes in the city, and bullfights will be flashed in a large canvases in the plaza during the concert.

TAPS WERE SOUNDED.

Charles L. Heid Laid to Rest With Military Honors.

Charles L. Heid was laid to rest in Concordia cemetery yesterday afternoon with military honors. The funeral was largely attended by ex-members of the immune regiment and of the Rough Riders and many friends of the deceased.

Promptly at four o'clock his comrades in arms met at Caldwell's undertaking parlors and, acting as a military escort, marched with the body to the Catholic church, where Father Anthus, read a short burial service over the remains of the young man.

From the church the comrades of the deceased, still acting as an escort, accompanied the body to the cemetery where it was given its final resting place. At the grave the bugler sounded "taps," and with this last call to rest his comrades bowed their heads in solemn reverence.

The pall bearers were J. C. Day, Frank K. Clark, Joseph Jeannette, L. L. Merrill, William Rosing and Corporal Stewart.

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BOB FITZSIMMONS.

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active. The strongest part of it all is the desire of many of the skeptics to put their lucre on Jeffries. Reports of his fine condition, no doubt, has a great deal to do with this. Those who have seen him at his training quarters at Asbury Park say that if form counts for anything he cannot lose.

Chief of Police Devery has given out the following statement relative to the action he will take in case the Fitzsimmons-Jeffries fight tonight resolves itself into a "brutal slugging match."

"From certain published statements of experts on prize ring and boxing matters and from various sources it would appear that the two would-be pugilistic champions who are down for a sparring contest at the Coney Island Athletic club on Friday next, or their backers or managers, intend to have under the guise of a Horton law sparring contest a genuine old time slugging match or prize fight. If no such slugging match is intended, then the inference is that these statements and impressions are spread for the sole purpose of gulling and imposing upon the public."

"Considering the parties to the contest, their respective weights, 210 and 165 pounds, and other attending circumstances and conditions, it is almost a physical impossibility for the two individuals referred to carry on a lawful contest for points on the coming occasion. The very nature of things tends to an out and out prize fight."

"I shall be present at the contest and as chief of police I shall personally see to it that the letter and the spirit of the law relative to such contests are obeyed, and that this will be no slugging nor heavy hitting; nothing but a clean cut, lawful sparring exhibition for points. Any person who permits himself to be gulled or imposed upon by thinking otherwise will find himself very much mistaken. It will be well for the public to understand that the first heavy blow struck will mark the end of the contest."

Wm. B. Brady, Jeffries, manager, was seen concerning the statement issued by Chief Devery, and said there would be no trouble with the police tonight.

"The contest will surely take place," said Mr. Brady. "It will be conducted under the provisions of the Horton law and no law of the state will be violated. Chief Devery attended the Corbett-Sharkey contest, the McCoy-Sharkey contest and others of a similar character that have been held in New York during the last year. The Coney Island club has not proposed to give a prize fight, but a contest similar to the ones I have mentioned, and we do not

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Since the war department issued an order for the re-establishment of the military department of Texas, considerable interest was manifested as to who would be placed in command. General Wheeler was first proposed, but when his views were learned, and he was not in favor of the assignment, the department had to look about for some other competent officer in the service. The selection has finally been made, and Col. Chambers McKibbin, of the Twenty-first Infantry, who is on duty at Columbus Barracks, Ohio, has been assigned to the command of the department of Texas.

At the outbreak of the Spanish war this department was merged into the department of the gulf, with headquarters at Atlanta. There are several large military posts along the Mexican frontier, and the inclination of the Indians in the southwest to be troublesome led to the re-establishment of this department.

Col. McKibbin has a splendid record as a soldier and is one of the most popular officers in the service. For distinguished gallantry in the terrible campaign around Santiago he was promoted to be a brigadier general of volunteers. Notice of his promotion came to him July 8, 1898, when he was on the field, and he accepted July 11.

Col. McKibbin is a native of Pennsylvania, was private in the general service Sept. 22, 1862; was discharged Sept. 24 to accept appointment as second lieutenant in the Fourteenth Infantry. He was promoted to be first lieutenant on June 10 1864, and was transferred to the Thirty-second Infantry Sept. 21, 1866. July 28 1866, he was appointed captain in the Thirty-fifth Infantry and accepted Jan. 5, 1867. He was transferred to the Fifteenth Infantry, Aug. 12, 1869, where he served until April 25, 1872, when he was promoted to be major of the Twenty-fifth Infantry, May 1, 1896, he was again promoted and appointed lieutenant colonel of the Twenty-first Infantry, which rank he held at the outbreak of the war with Spain, in which his splendid conduct won him a colonelcy in the regular army and a brigadier generalship in the volunteer service.

Col. McKibbin was a conspicuous figure in the operations of the Army Corps from the first landing of the American troops at Daiquiri until the surrender of Santiago. He is now stationed at Columbus Barracks, O., where he has been for some time recuperating from the effects of the Cuban campaign.

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